

So far you've all heard some great speeches from my fellow graduates. I'm here to do the part everyone hates, the goodbye. Before we get to that there are some thank yous that need to be said.

Thank you Dr.D and Mrs.D for accepting us into the Karafin family. You gave us the opportunity to grow into the individuals who are graduating tonight.

To the teachers who saw the potential in each and everyone of us and pushed us past the limits we had set for ourselves. Personally, I wouldn't be standing here tonight if it wasn't for the support of my teachers. Thank you all for your support.

To the teachers aides; you have done more for us than we could possibly imagine. Many of us have formed amazing relationships with you all. For me some of the most influential people in my life have been teachers aides and i'm so grateful. Thank you all for your dedication.

To the counselors who have helped us through some of our most personal battles and have even been a guiding light for us. You've helped all of us see the power within ourselves and have supported and helped us endlessly to reach our goals. Thank you for your love.

Mr. Richardson, you've seen and heard some of the craziest things from us. You're nonjudgmental attitude has never changed. You're always there to brighten up our days. Thank you for accepting us.

Ms. Marcos, although we've only known you for a short while you've become a huge part of the Karafin family. Thank you for everything you do and making each day a little easier.

Mrs.Ruano, Thank you for the time we got with you. You would always brighten up our days. You offered so much love and support to us, it helped us get through the day. There are a few people who helped me to be able to graduate, i'm thankful to say you're one of them. You offered me an

unlimited amount of support and encouragement throughout my time at Karafin. Thank you for brightening up our lives.

To my fellow graduates, when I started Karafin, friendship was a concept that I didn't fully understand. My first day at Karafin I was dreading the new beginning but over the course of a few days I knew Karafin was where I belonged. I have so many memories from my time at Karafin and so many of them are from the friendships I've made at here. Standing in this room tonight i'm confident that I have lifelong friendships. Thank you all for accepting and loving me. If there's one last thing I can say to you all it's "Believe in yourself and you'll be unstoppable." I strongly believe that each graduate has something incredible to offer this world.

To everyone I have mentioned in this speech, thank you for all the support, acceptance, and love. Karafin has changed my life in the best way possible, and I know i'm not the only one who was impacted in this way. Karafin isn't just the high school I attended; Karafin is my home. I think I speak for every graduate; Karafin can be crazy and sometimes we can't stand it but we couldn't have asked for a better place to start our journey. Personally, I couldn't have asked for a better group of people to call my family.

As said by Catherine Pulsifer "Graduation, a conclusion of one chapter, a beginning of another.". Congratulations to the class of 2016. Let's begin our next chapter.